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Pioneer Seed Farm

JOHN HENDERSON, Prop.

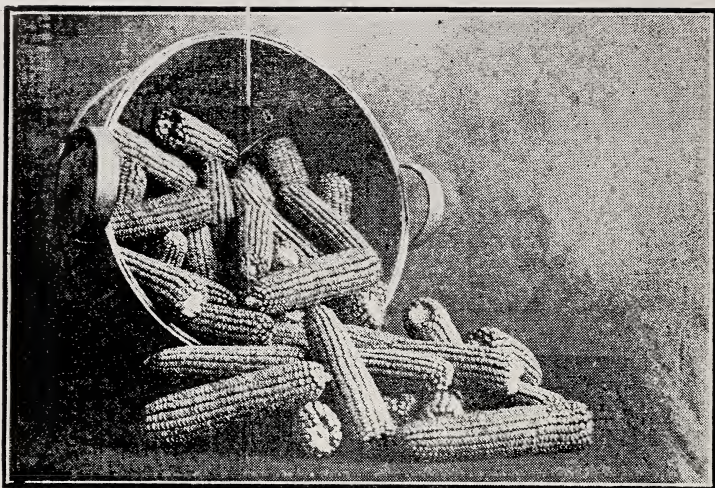
Cokato, Wright County, Minnesota



SMITH FRAZER CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY
For best 10 ears Minn. No. 13 grown in state.

AWARDED

To my 10 ears at the Minn. Field Crop Breeders' Show, Tracy, 1920



MINNESOTA NO. 13

An early variety of Yellow Dent Corn. It never fails to produce a big crop, when planted on land that is well drained and naturally rich in humus and plant food, or made so by a rotation of clover or application of barnyard manure; on light poor soils it won't yield as much as my Rustlers White Dent. The Dent is smooth and kernel of medium depth, compactly set on the cob and ears are well filled from butt to tip, very easy to husk either from stalk or bundle. The stalks grow to a height of seven feet and being very leafy, make excellent fodder and ensilage. Change of climate and climatic conditions don't seem to affect the productiveness of this corn. I have shipped Minn. No. 13 to Northern New York on the east and Washington to the west, and many places in Iowa and Southern Minnesota, southern tiers of counties in North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

All my Minnesota No. 13 was grown on my own farm from **certified seed**, secured from Minnesota Experiment Station. For high yield you can rely on my Minn. No. 13, to produce from 5 to 20 bushels more than the bulk of this variety offered by dealers and grown from runned out seed. Read the testimonials and see what my customers say about this corn.

Appleton, Minn., Dec. 20, 1920.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: I had my corn on low ground so had quite a bit of it drowned out, but had a fine stand before the rains came. Your certified Minn. No. 13 outyielded the common corn by about twenty bushels per acre. How about clover seed in your locality this year? I want seed for about 40 or 50 acres next season.

Yours truly,
M. E. Peterson,



The above is my Sweepstakes Sample, 1913. Minnesota State Fair, 1915, I won First 10 ears and Sweepstakes Central Section and Grand Champion Sweepstakes for entire state.

EARLY SILVER KING

The earliest strain grown of this variety, it is acclimated, has been grown here for the past 10 years. The ears are of medium size and will average about 8 to 9 inches. Kernels are deep, cylindrical ears with butts and tips well filled, stalks are very leafy and one of the best varieties for silage in those sections where it will mature. It is a few days later than Rustlers and Minnesota No. 13, but in some sections it will mature about the same time, especially on rich sandy loam.

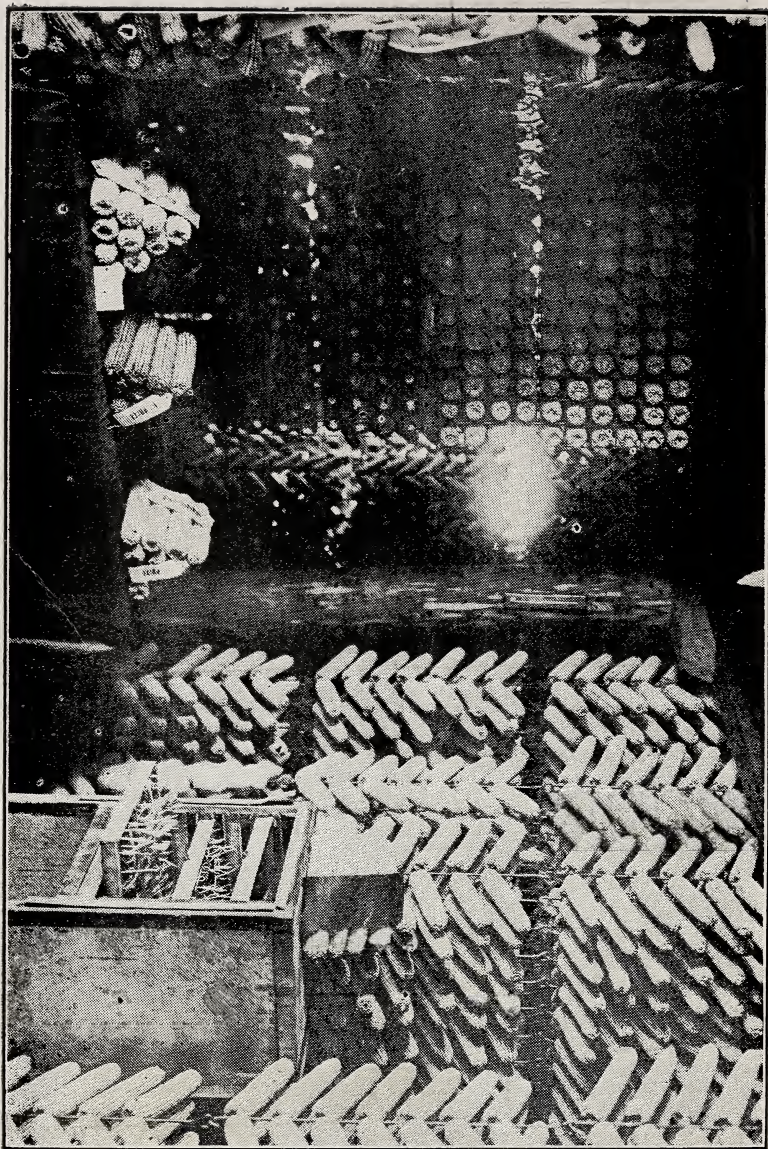
LYON COUNTY

Cottonwood, Minn., Jan. 11, 1915.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: The seed corn I got last spring was first class. The stand was good and it averaged above 50 bushels good quality and sound. Had I bought all my last season's seed corn from you, I would have been at least "\$300 ahead on corn alone." I saved my seed for this season from the corn I bought from you. I remain.

Yours truly, W. H. Beacon.



This shows how my SEED CORN is dried in the most Modern and Practical Way. There is a free circulation of air around each ear. The only way to get SEED CORN that every kernel will grow and produce

NORTHWESTERN DENT

This extra early corn is a very handsome and distinct variety, the exposed part of the kernel being white or yellow and the sides of a pretty cherry-red color. The ears are from 7 to 10 inches long, averaging 14 rows of hard round kernels of good size. Being an early corn, it is very productive, yielding from 50 to 70 bushels per acre. Stalks are about 6 to 7 feet high, and ears are set about 2½ feet from the ground. It is extensively grown in Dakotas and northern Minnesota. It is recommended for low, level lands, new breakings and all late plantings in other sections. This corn matures two weeks earlier than Minnesota No. 13 and is the best corn for early "hogging down."

Drayton, Pembina County, N. D., Jan. 20, 1917.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: In reply to yours regarding the Northwestern Dent corn I got from you last spring, I had a perfect stand—I never had better—and it matured. I could have taken my own seed corn from it and did get about two bushels, but I put most of it in the silo.

JOSEPH MORRISON, Commissioner Fifth District.

ELMWOOD DAIRY.

Registered Holstein Cattle, Ormsby Strain.

Marshfield, Wis., Jan. 23, 1918.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: I want to ask you about seed corn this season. I found that I made a mistake in not ordering my seed corn from you last spring. The Experiment Station wanted to supply my seed, but I found it did not do as well as your seed, at least with me. Let me hear at once, so I may know what to depend on for seed.

Respectfully yours, F. T. VANNEDOM.

Honeyford, N. D., Nov. 8, 1920.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: You must save me 3 bushels Minn. No. 13 and 1 bushel earliest dent, this last for hogging off. I have bought seed corn from you 6 or 7 years continuously and always been satisfied. My crop looked better than any in the neighborhood this year.

Respectfully yours,

J. S. Haugen.

Long Prairie, Minn., Dec. 3, 1919.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: Am in the market for clover seed or alfalfa and Minn. No. 13 seed corn. Seed corn and clover bought from you the past several years has given the best satisfaction. Please send me prices. Very respectfully,

W. M. BEMIS.

EARLY MINNESOTA WHITE DENT

Earliest white dent grown—it matures about 10 days earlier than Rustlers, and is especially recommended for north and west central Minnesota, southern tiers of counties in North Dakota and northern part of South Dakota and north central Wisconsin. I have found several samples offered by some seed houses as Early Minnesota White Dent, which was nothing but some late variety with an adopted name. If you want the genuine seed of this variety, send your order to me and, if my supply should be exhausted, I will not substitute any other variety without your permission.

EARLY RUSTLERS

This early corn is from 8 to 10 days ahead of Rustlers White Dent and Minn. No. 13. If you have trouble to mature these varieties, owing to flat lands overflowed in spring causing late planting, or cold soil and early frost in fall, I would not hesitate to recommend this variety. It is not quite as large ears as some other variety, but it yields from 40 to 60 bushels and on extra good soil I have gotten as high as 70 bushels per acre. In 1915 and 1917 it was the only corn in this section that was safe from frost, with the exception of Northwestern Dent. It is very similar to Early Minn. White Dent in early maturity and size of stalk, but ears are a trifle larger and rougher dent.

Cokato, Minn., Feb. 14, 1921.

Mr. John Henderson, Cokato, Minn.

Dear Sir: You must be sure to save me two bushels seed corn of Rustlers and Minn. No. 13. I always get the best stand and yield when I use your seed corn.

EMIL ERICKSON.





Silver Trophy Won by Me at the First National Corn Show, St. Paul, December 11-16, 1916.

RUSTLERS WHITE DENT

This early white corn is the best yielder of any variety maturing same time. It is almost one week earlier than my Silver King. The ears are of good size with 14 to 18 rows of large kernels pure white in color, many measuring 10 inches or more. Ears are set the right distance from the ground for picking or harvesting with binder. It is a pure White Dent, and an all-around good corn for central and most of Southern Minnesota, central Wisconsin, northern half of South Dakota and where an early corn has to be grown that will beat the frost in September. For lands that are not very rich, I don't know of any corn that will give better results, and on lands that are under a high state of cultivation it will produce bumper crops of both corn and fodder.

I am not growing this corn myself, to avoid any chance of different varieties mixing. I have this corn grown for me by two of the best farmers and corn raisers in this section. The yield averaged 70 bushels for one, figuring a bushel to the inch in a 10-foot wagon box. The yield for the other grower was still better, as his land was very high and heavy rain in June did not effect his field any. By actual weight he got 79 bushels of dry corn to the acre. This was the average from a 14-acre field, and it was planted three kernels in the hill, same as all my seed corn,

MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

I guarantee all seeds sold by me to be perfectly satisfactory on arrival, and I will allow you 15 days to test them for germination. If you are not perfectly satisfied that they are the best seeds your money can buy, you may return them and I will refund every cent of your money without any hemming and hawing and stand freight both ways.

HOW TO ORDER

Order early before I am sold out, then you will have the seed when you want it. Don't wait until you get almost ready to plant, because there are a hundred others who want it the same time, and some one will have to wait. "Ten cents on the dollar" will hold your order until you want it shipped, when you may remit the balance. Write your name, shipping station, county and state plainly. Money should be sent by Express or Post Office money order, Bank Draft or personal check.

FARMERS & MERCHANTS ST. BANK, COKATO, MINN.

To Whom it May Concern: This is to certify that we have known Mr. John Henderson, of Cokato, Minn., for the last ten years in a business way and otherwise. During our dealings with him we have always found him upright and honest, and always living up to his agreements. He is perfectly responsible financially, and is good for any contract he enters into. We do not hesitate to say that any one doing business with him will receive a square deal.

Respectfully,

F. B. Carlblom, Cashier.

MY SEED CORN IS GUARANTEED WRIGHT COUNTY GROWN AND YOUR MONEY BACK IF IT DOESN'T GROW SATISFACTORY.

Do you want corn that will mature next fall? If you do, you will have to use acclimated seed that is NORTHERN GROWN. Every ear of my seed corn is guaranteed to be WRIGHT COUNTY GROWN. Cokato is 100 miles north of the Iowa-Minnesota line, and from 175 to 200 miles further north than Yankton, Elk Point and other South Dakota seed corn centers. It is easy for you to figure out how much further north you can plant my seed and get ripe corn.